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Method and Apparatus for Testing

Electromagnetic Connectivity in a Drill

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Dear Sir:

For:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed May 3, 2005 for which the shortened statutory period for response plus a two month extension for time is set to expire October 3, 2005. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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